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In re application of

Docket No.: OT-4416A

Richard Ericson et al.

Date: March 31, 2005

Appln. No.: 10/684,171

Group Art: 3652

Filing Date: October 10, 2003

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

Title:

TRACTION ENHANCED CONTROLLED PRESSURE FLEXIBLE FLAT TENSION

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**LETTER** 

In parent application 09/218,989, Applicants successfully petitioned under 37 CFR 1.48(a) to correct the original naming of inventor(s), in which inventor Dennis J. Rehmer had been omitted. However, in filing the subject divisional application, Applicants inadvertently submitted a copy of the original executed declaration from the parent case rather than the executed declaration from parent application naming the correct inventive entity.

Enclosed is a copy of the executed declaration from parent application 09/218,989 naming the correct inventive entity for the subject application. Also enclosed are copies of the petition under Rule 1.48(a) from parent application 09/218,989, the accompanying papers, and the decision thereon.

Applicants request issuance of a corrected Filing Receipt reflecting the correct inventive entity in the subject application.

Respectfully submitted,

Sean W. O'Brien

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.312, PETITION AND FEE TO CORRECT AND/OR ADD TO ORIGINALLY NAMED INVENTOR(S) (37 CFR 1.48(a) AND/OR (c))

This amendment and petition is to correct the original naming of inventor(s) under 37 CFR 1.48(a). This amendment is being filed before the payment of the issue fee, which is due September 17, 2003.

Please add the following previously unnamed person as inventor to this application:

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Dennis J. Rehmer

The following documents are attached:

- Statement of Facts executed by Dennis J. Rehmer; a)
- Declaration executed by each of the actual inventors; b)
- Assent of Assignee to Correction And/or Addition of Inventor; c)
- Assignment from Dennis J. Rehmer d)

Due Date:

Attorney 8000

The change in inventorship does not affect the scope of any claim, nor does it add any claims. No additional search or materially added work on the part of the Office is believed to be necessitated.

Please charge the \$130.00 fee for this Petition to our credit card, authorization form enclosed.

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### STATEMENT OF FACTS

Subsequent to the filing of Application No. 09/218,989, entitled "Traction Enhanced Controlled Pressure Flexible Flat Tension Member Termination Device," filed on December 22, 1998, a review was conducted of applications and invention disclosures relating to termination devices and the like, it was determined that the undersigned, Dennis J. Rehmer, contributed to the invention claimed in the subject application.

The omission of the undersigned as a named inventor was without deceptive intent. The omission apparently resulted from the submission of multiple invention disclosures, some of which did not identify the undersigned as an inventor, relating to termination devices.



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DECLARATION FOR UTILITY OR			rst Named Inventor	Richard J. Ericson		
DESIGN PATENT APPLICATION (37 CFR 1.63)			COMPLETE IF KNOWN			
			pplication Number	09 / 218,989		
<u></u>	Declaration OR Submitted after Initial	<b>"</b>	iling Date	December 22, 1998		
Declaration Submitted		itted after Initial A	rt Unit	3652		
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I believe I am the origi	nal and first inventor of ANCED CONTRO	-	n is claimed and for wh	ich a patent is sought on the invention e	ntitled:	
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OR  was filed on (MM/DD/YYYY)  December 22, 1998  as United States Application Number or PCT Internation				đ		
Application Number	09/218,989	and was amended	on (MM/DD/YYYY)	(if applicabl	ie).	
I hereby state that I ha	ave reviewed and unde	rstand the contents of th	ne above identified spe	cification, including the claims, as amen	ded by	

any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or (f), or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is

Prior Foreign Application Number(s)	Country	Foreign Filling Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	Priority Not Claimed	Certified Copy	Attached? NO
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NAME OF SOLE OR FIRST INVENTOR:  A petition has been filed for this unsigned inventor						
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ADDITIONAL INVENTOR(S) Supplemental Sheet

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City Bristol This collection of information is required by 35 U.S.C. 115 and 37 CFR 1.63. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 21 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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Sir:

# ASSENT OF ASSIGNEE TO CORRECTION AND/OR ADDITION TO ORIGINAL NAMED INVENTORS

OTIS ELEVATOR COMPANY
10 Farm Springs
Farmington, Connecticut 06032,
A corporation of the State of New Jersey (assignee)

Assignment was recorded on June 2, 1999 at Reel 009985; Frame 0984

Recorded herewith a separate Assignment and Assignment Cover Sheet is attached.

Assignee hereby assents to the correction of inventorship filed herewith.

Respectfully, Submitted,

Randy O. Henley Assistant Secretary

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## RECORDATION FORM COVER SHEET

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(Rev. 6-93) OMB No. 0651-0011 (exp. 4/94) To the Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks: Please record the attached original documents or copy thereof. 2. Name and address of receiving party(ies): Name of conveying party(ies): Otis Elevator Company Dennis J. Rehmer Internal Address: Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? Street Address: 10 Farm Springs 3. Nature of conveyance: City: Farmington State: CT Zip: 06032 Merger X\_ Assignment Change of Name Security Agreement Other Additional name(s) and addresses(es) attached?  $\underline{\hspace{0.1cm}}$  yes  $\underline{\hspace{0.1cm}} \underline{\hspace{0.1cm}}$  no Execution Date: July 11, 2003 Application number(s) or patent number(s): If this document is being filed together with a new application, the execution date of the application is: B. Patent No.(s) A. Patent Application No.(s) 09/218,989 Additional numbers attached? \_\_yes \_X no 6. Total number of applications and patents involved: 1 5. Name and Address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed: 7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41)..........\$\_\_\_\_40.00 Name: Sean W. O'Brien \_ Enclosed Internal Address: Otis Elevator Company \_\_ Authorized to be charged to deposit account (OT-4416) X Credit Card Form 8. Deposit account number: Street Address: 10 Farm Springs (Attach duplicate copy of this page if paying by deposit account) City: Farmington State: CT Zip: 06032 DO NOT USE THIS SPACE 9. Statement and signature. To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document. Sean W. O'Brien Signature

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### **ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, I, Dennis J. Rehmer of 155 Redstone Hill Road, #72, Bristol, Connecticut 06010, along with Richard J. Ericson, Hugh J. O'Donnell, Ary O. Mello and Dale R. Barrett, have invented certain improvements in TRACTION ENHANCED CONTROLLED PRESSURE FLEXIBLE FLAT TENSION MEMBER TERMINATION DEVICE, identified as Attorney Docket No. OT-4416, and described in a patent application which was filed as U.S. Application No. 09/218,989 on December 22, 1998, being owner of all right, title and interest in and to said application and in and to any invention described therein, free from all prior assignments, agreements, licenses, mortgages, or other encumbrances whatsoever, and having full right to convey the entire interest both legal and equitable herein assigned; and

WHEREAS. OTIS ELEVATOR COMPANY, of Farmington, Connecticut, a corporation of the State of New Jersey (assignee) is desirous of acquiring the entire United States right, title and interest in and to said invention or inventions and any and all U.S. Patents to be obtained therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by the undersigned, the undersigned do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over unto said assignee, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention or inventions, as described in the aforesaid U.S. Patent application, in any form or embodiment thereof, and in and to the aforesaid application; and in and to any application filed in any foreign country based thereon, including the right to file said foreign applications under the provisions of the International Convention; also the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all patents or reissues or extensions thereof to be obtained in this or any foreign country upon said invention or inventions and any divisional, continuation, continuation-in-part or substitute applications which may be filed upon said invention or inventions in this or any foreign country; and the undersigned hereby authorize(s) and request(s) the issuing authority to issue any and all patents on said application or applications to said assignee or its successors and assigns.

The undersigned further agree(s), without any further payment or compensation by said assignee or its successors and assigns, to communicate to said assignee, its representatives or agents or its successors and assigns, any facts relating to said invention or inventions including evidence for interference purposes or for other legal proceedings whenever requested; testify in any interference or other legal proceedings, whenever requested; execute and deliver, on request, all lawful papers required to make any of the foregoing provisions effective; and generally do everything possible to aid said assignee, its successors or assigns and nominees to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said invention or inventions in this or any foreign country.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the undersigned has hereunto set his hand and seal on the date after his signature.

Dennis J. Rehmer

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